

EXPRESS MAIL MAILING LABEL	
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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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For: A DIAGNOSTIC TEST FOR INFECTION
WITH A SPIROCHETE BORNE BY
AMBLYOMMA AMERICANUM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this Preliminary Amendment in the above-referenced case.

Consideration of this case in view of the amendments made herein is respectfully requested.

A. AMENDMENT

1. In the Specification:

At page 2, before the paragraph beginning at line 4, insert the following paragraph into
the specification: